

# The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Tuesday, April 26, 1726.

From the Post Man, April 19.

Constantinople, March 5.

**A**Mong the Proposals made the Porte by the Envoy of Sultan Esref, Successor to Meriweys, he demanded for the Preliminary of the Peace, that the Porte should restore to his Master all the Conquests they had made in Persia; That all the Persians who are retired out of the Kingdom since the late Troubles, should be recalled and restored to their Estates and Privileges, without making them tributary, the Persians not having been used to live in a State of Dependency; That he had Orders to declare, that in case of Refusal, his Master would oppose the Undertakings of the Porte, with all his Forces; That he would join the old Sophi, who was not dead as it had been reported, but only a Prisoner to his Master, and that then they would act in Concert, to drive the Turks out of Persia. But it does not appear, that these Proposals have been accepted by the Porte; since they are preparing for another Push this Year in Persia, and they are casting Cannon to be sent to that Country.

*Vienna, April 10.* Tho' the Porte has assured the Ministers of the Christian Powers, that they were resolved religiously to observe the late Treaties, no great Dependence is placed upon it; and a Courier is forthwith to be dispatched to M. Dierling, the Emperor's Resident at Constantinople, with important Dispatches. A Courier arrived from Madrid says, that they are hard at Work in all the Harbours of Spain, in equipping several Men of War.

*Ratisbon, April 15.* We have Advice from many Places, of the Accession of Sweden to the Treaty of Hanover. A Letter of the 28th ult. from Stockholm to the Swedish Minister at the Dyet says, That the King's Commissaries, conformable to the Resolution which had been taken in Council, had declared to the Ministers of France, Great Britain, and Prussia, that his Majesty was not only pleased with the Marks of Confidence, which the Kings their Masters gave upon this Occasion to the King and Kingdom of Sweden, but also, that he was resolved, to keep up a constant Friendship with them,

and that he was disposed to take proper Measures for their mutual Defence, and for the publick Weal, as far as was consistent with the entire Security of the King and Kingdom of Sweden.

*Rome, March 30.* Don Felix Corneco, the Spanish Minister, being lately in Conference with the Chevalier de St. George in his Cabinet, an English Courier arrived at the same Time, who as soon as ever his Dispatches were examin'd, was sent back again by way of Brussels. It seems that most of the Princes of Italy declare for a Neutrality, they say, that 'tis with this View, that the Great Duke of Tuscany, has put a Stop to the Convoy preparing at Leghorn, for Porto Ferajo. In this general Disposition, we wonder to hear that the Venetians, who also declare for the Neutrality, are building so many Men of War.

*Hamburg, April 16.* We hear by a Courier from London, which is gone thro' this Place for the Courts in the North, that the Viscount Townshend Secretary of State for Great Britain, and the Ministers of France, Prussia and Holland, had settled the Measures proper to be taken, in the present Juncture both by Sea and Land, and that nothing was wanting but the Ratification thereof by the several Courts to which they have been communicated. They add, that a certain Lord has laid a Wager of 1000 L. Sterl. against 100, That the Operations of War will begin, before the Month of August next.

From the Evening Post, April 19.

*Madrid, April 22.* The King has been pleased to grant the D. de Riporda a Salary of 48,000 Pieces of Eight, for the several Places he enjoys, besides the 4000 settled on his Dutcheffs for Life.

*Warsaw, April 10.* An Express from Stockholm has brought Advice, That the Court of Sweden has acceded to the Treaty of Hanover.

*Copenhagen, April 16.* The Court of Sweden having notified to our King, their Accession to the Hanover Treaty, 'tis thought his Majesty will follow their Example, as soon as the L. Glenorchy is arriv'd.

*Hamburg, April 19.* They write from Dantzick, that the King of Poland is so ill of a Fever that he keeps

keeps his Bed, and is constantly attended by the Pr. Royal his Son. 'Tis certain, that large Sums have lately been remitted to the Adherents of Stanislaus in Poland. The Polish Garrisons of Elbing, Marienburg and other Places have been considerably augmented, and several Polish Regiments have been sent towards Brandenburg-Prussia.

*Paris, April 24.* Mr. Langlois, a Prebendary of Cambray, formerly Secretary of the Embassy in Spain, and afterwards in Poland, is appointed Envoy extraordinary to the Court of Poland. On the 17th Instant Mr. Arrouet de Voltaire, a famous Poet, was committed to the Bastile.

The Parliament has condemned a Book, written against the Constitution, to be burnt by the Hand of the Common Hangman.

*Naples, April 2.* When every Thing was ready for the Reception of the Pope upon the Frontiers of this Kingdom, Advice came that his Holiness had deferred his Journey to Benevento.

*Madrid, April 10.* The Duke of Wharton, Peer of Great Britain (who has travell'd under the Name of Philibert) and Lieutenant General Campbell, are arrived here, as are likewise several Adherents of the Pretender, to persuade this Court to undertake something in their Favour.

*Vienna, April 10.* Our last Letters from Poland give an Account, That upon the pressing Instances of our Ambassador, the Polish Grandees have now declared, that they will leave entirely to the King the Adjusting of the Affair of Thorn.

*From the London Gazette, April 19.*

*Brussels, April 22.* On the 17th the Archduchess Governess went to the Theatre here, to see the Passion of our SAVIOUR represented; and on the 18th her Highness having washed the Feet of 12 old Women, went and performed her Devotions in 19 Churches or Chapels, which took up 4 Hours: The Procession was in the following Order; The Halbardiers of the Guard, called *Noble*, 18 Footmen with Cloaks and Bands, 7 Pages, the 4 Jesuites Confessors, the Governor and Major of this City, the Captains and Lieutenants of the Archers & Halbardiers, the Master of the Horse, the Chancellor of Brabant: Then came the Archduchess, led by the Great Master of the Household Count Visconti the first Minister; her Highness had a Book in her Hand, her Head dress made to fall a little over her Face, and her Train was born by a Page, and on each Side marched the Archers: She was followed by the Counsellors Visconti, led by her Gentleman of the Horse, and by the 6 Ladies of Honour. The March was closed by a Company of Grenadiers, carrying

their Arms reversed, the Drums beating a dead March. The Procession was upon Boards laid over the Streets. There was a vast Concourse from all Parts to see it. Her Highness returning to the Palace, continued her Devotions till 4 next Morning in her Chapel; where on the 19th a Funeral Service was performed to Music, composed, for solemnizing the LORD's Passion, by Sig. Fioco. On the 20, being Easter-eve, the Cannon on our Ramparts and the small Arms of the Garrison drawn up in the Park, were fired for the Resurrection of our LORD. The Firing of Cannon on this Occasion was never done before in this Country: But in this Particular, as well as in all Church-ceremonies, our Governess causes the Customs of the Court of Vienna to be observed.

*From the Whitehall Evening-Post, April 19.*

*Geneva, April 18.* It seems as if the Pretender's Creatures had some Hopes of a Turn in their Affairs: For those of them who were in these Parts are gone, after having received Remittances to pay off their Scores, and they made believe they were going towards Paris. The Neutrality of the Princes of Italy, by the Consent of the Hanover Allies, is confirmed from all Hands.

*Genoa, April 6.* Four English Men of War in this Harbour, have Orders from Portmahon to join the Squadron which is coming from England for the Mediterranean. Some English Merchants have obtained Leave of the Grand Duke to cut down a considerable Quantity of Wood upon the Territory of Pisa, for the Service of that Squadron, and send the same to Portmahon.

*Hague, April 26.* Letters from Vienna say, that on the 11th the Aulic Council pass'd a *Votum ad Imperatorem* touching the Affair of East-Friesland. The Venetian Ambassador having applied himself to several of the Imperial Ministers, to know whether that Republic may give Sanctuary to the Pretender, is sent back to the Court of Rome, with an Answer, That the Emperor will have nothing to do in the Affair. The new Elector of Bavaria has assured the Imperial Court, That notwithstanding the Offers of France, nothing shall be capable to detach him from the House of Austria. They write from Spain, That the Grandees are very jealous of the D. de Ripperda. From Rome, That Card. Gualtieri has been at St. Cecilia's Monastery, to visit the Pretender's Lady, and that he gave her a Letter he had received from a certain Monarch: Upon which he had a long Conference with Her in the Parlour. And from Francfort, That the Princess Grandmo-

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ther to the Hereditary Prince of East-Friesland, & Princess of Anhalt-Dessau, died of a Fit of the Choleric at Oremsenstein.

London, April 19. Thursday last a Rat-catcher in Golden Lane, being disordered in his Senses, destroyed himself by taking a Doze of the Poison he used to kill the Vermin with: He had attempted to hang himself some Time before. The Coroners Inquest have brought in their Verdict *Lunacy*.

One Daniel King, a Centinel in Brigadier Russel's Company in the first Regiment of Foot Guards, is to be shot in Hide-park for Desertion next Thursday; a Warrant being signed by his Majesty, and sent to the Provost-Marshal, for that Purpose.

On Saturday last a Person in Hide Park leaped upwards of 70 Yards in 19 Jumps, for a Wager of 50 Guineas, to the Admiration of many Spectators.

*Yesterday arrived one Mail from France.*

*Wye's Letter verbatim, London, April 21.*

**W**E should have mentioned in our last, That the Commons adjourned the Call of the House to That-day-fourtnight. Read a Petition of several Retailers of Ale and Beer, praying to be heard against the Victuallers Bill; which, after a long Debate, was, on a Division, carried in the Negative, Yeas 96. Noes 158.

Yesterday the Commons ordered the Victuallers Bill to be engrossed, with a Clause, permitting 'em to draw in any Pots less than a Gallon, in Arbours, Gardens, or at their Doors; but the Forfeiture out of Doors is 40 sh. and Part to the Informer. Commissioners are to be appointed by the Treasury to settle the Tax in the Nature of the Excise, and they are to take a Sort of Licence.

Yesterday the Lords read a 2d Time the Malt Bill; most of the Scots Peers opposed the extending of that Duty to Scotland, on account of the great Poverty of that Nation.

Read a Petition of several Wholesale Traders, &c. in London, praying to be heard by Council against the Bill for preventing vexatious and frivolous Arrests; which Petition was ordered to lie on the Table, till the Bill be read a 2d Time, which is to be Tomorrow-fennight, and Copies thereof to be sent to the Judges, who are then to attend the House.

Their Lordships, according to Order, proceeded to take into their Consideration a Passage in the printed Votes of the House of Commons, dated, *Jovis secundo die Martii, 1725*, purporting to be a Message to that House from his Majesty, under

his Royal Sign Manual; and the same being read by the Clerk, the further Consideration was (after Debate, wherein certain Lords argued, that it was *Unparliamentary* and *Unprecedented* to send a Message to the Commons and not to the Lords) adjourned for a Month, on a Division, Content 59, Not content 31.

The Commanders of the Ships which arrived Yesterday in the Downs from St. Ube's, give an Account, that 70 or eighty Leagues off St. Vincent, the Crew of the William and Elizabeth murdered their Captain on the 17th past, by cutting his Skull assunder with an Ax, and threw him over board, after which, they stood into Lagos Bay, where the Ship drove about three Days, the Crew got ashore, and 3 Men and a Boy came to St. Ubes, who being ask'd who they belong to, were found in different Stories; upon which they were seized and committed to Jail, by Order of the Consul, and Advice sent to Lisbon thereof. It seems they endeavoured before they went on Shoar to sink the Ship, but did not. The Family of the murder'd Captain, whose Name was Mitchel, lives at Dale.

Letters from France say, That the Lieutenant-General of the Marines was set out from Paris to Brest and other Harbours in France; and that the Inspectors of the French Infantry have Orders to set out forthwith to a general Review.

We hear Major-General Willis is ordered by the Government, to review the Forces in the North and West of England.

This Day the Lords heard Part of the Appeal between the Marquis of Cliddisdale and the Earl of Dundonald; and the House was informed that the Parties were like to come to an Agreement, and would be ready to offer it their Lordships tomorrow.

This Day the Commons ordered the Bill for the more effectually securing the Effects of the Suitors in Chancery to be ingrossed, and passed that for laying a Tax on the Victuallers, and ordered in a Bill to prevent Collusive Seizures of Foreign Goods, and Improvement of his Majesty's Revenues, of the Customs, Excise, and Inland Duties. Sir William Strickland, who moved for the Bill, said, he believed the King was defrauded in the Isle of Man, of 100,000 L. per annum.

This Day Thomas Chandler, the Horse Grenadier who killed Burn the Butcher, was found guilty of Manslaughter; and John Gillingham was found guilty of Death, for sending a Letter with a fictitious Name to Mr. Smith, threatening him to send



20 Guineas with the Bearer, and keep it secret. He was convicted on the Black Act.

*From the Whitehall Evening-Post, April 21.*

*Hanover, Ap. 16.* All the Troops of this Electorate have received Orders to exercise frequently, and to be ready for a Review about Whitfuntide, before General Bulaw. Last Sunday Prince Frederick went to Herenhausen, where the Waterworks, were played in his Presence, for the first Time this Year, and 'tis said, that after Whifuntide, he will go to that Charming Place to spend the greatest Part of the Summer, but whether the King of G. Britain will be there this Year is now much doubted.

*Ratisbon, April 11.* Our last Advices from Munich say, that the new Elector of Bavaria gives Ear to the mighty Projects proposed to him by Mr. John Law, for putting his Finances on a better Foot.

*Paris, April 27.* A Capuchin in the Neighbourhood of Argenteuill, having for many Years study'd to find out the Longitude, thinks he has succeeded in it, and is coming hither to submit his Machines to the Royal Academy of Sciences.

S. S. Stock 104, 5 8ths. Annuities, 98. York Buildings 23.

*Edinburgh, April 26.* On Sunday Morning last, one James Muir, a Merchant in the Grass-Market, having got up in perfect Health of Mind and Body, and stepping out to Church, after having taken Breakfast, dropt down of a sudden, and died on the Spot. He was about 30 Years of Age.

## ADVERTISEMENT S.

¶¶¶ Whereas there appears in sundry Hands, Copies of som Paragraphs of Letters, writ by Mr. William Scot, second Minister of Kirkwal, to his Correspondents and Brethren, Messieurs Galloway and Weir, Ministers within the Synod of Orkney, dated the 12th of April 1725, and the 18th of May thereafter, and both Letters transmitted by them to their Agents at Edinburgh, which contain Reflections highly injurious and hurtful to the Character of Mr. Robert Honnvmann of Gramsay, Stewart Depute of Orkney, and upon the Country in general. Therefore the said Gentleman thinks himself obliged, in Vindication of himself, as well as the Country, to notify to the publick, That the said Letters and Clauses are altogether unjust, false, scandalous, and calumnious, that so his future Accounts and Characters of Persons, may meet with no Credit, at least no more than they deserve.

¶¶¶ Tuesday the 10th of May next, by 10 of the Clock Forenoon, There is to be exposed to Sale, by Way of Roup,

at Tullimet in Athole, six Miles above Dunkeld, a Parcel of good large CATTLE, consisting of Milk Cows, and Calves, Yeald Cows, two and three Year old Stots, Queys, Stirks, and a good Bull.

¶\*¶ That the Lands of NEW-MAINS of TOFTS, with the Teinds thereof, lying in the Parish of Eccles and Sherifffdom of Berwick, being 800 Merks yearly of Money-Rent, besides Kains and Carriages, holding Blanche of the Crown, and entitled to a Vote in the Shire: Are to be exposed to Sale, by way of voluntar Roup, in the House of Mrs. Dallas Vintner in Duns, upon the EIGHTEENTH of May next. Any who has amind for the said Purchase, may be satisfied of the Rental, Rights and Progress, by John Mein Writer to the Signet, at his House, second Stair below the Cross Well, South Side of the Street, Edinburgh, or by the Proprietor at the House of Tofts, any Time betwixt and the said Day of Roup.

\*+\* That upon the 2d Wednesday of May next, being the 11 thereof, betwixt the Hours of 10 and 12 in the Forenoon, there will be exposed to Sale (by voluntar Roup) at the House of the Earl of Kinnoul at Duppline, within 3 Miles to the West of the Town of Perth, a Parcel of English Oxen, Stotts and Bulls, and of English Cows and Queys, in all about 70; of the Brood of Sir William Saintquintine, Mr. Crofts, and Mr. Leeds; some of 5 Years old, some of 4, some of 3, some of 2, and others of one. Whoever has a-mind to offer for said Cattle, may call at Mr. James Ramsay Factor to the Earl of Kinnoul, upon any Day betwixt and the said 2d Wednesday of May next, who will order the Cattle to be shown.

¶\*¶ That the Town and Lands of DALMARNOCK, with the Oak-Wood and Fishings belonging thereto, lying on the Side of the River of Tay, within two Miles of Dunkeld; are to be exposed to voluntary Sale on Thursday the Nineteenth Day of May next, at the Sheriff-Clerk's Office in Perth, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Lands hold Feu of the Crown for a small Feu-duty, and pay of yearly free Rent to the Master, after Deduction of Ministers Stipends, Schoolmasters Salaries, and all other public Burdens, the Sum of Three hundred and eleven Pounds, seventeen Shilling, four Penies, Scots Money. And beside the foresaid yearly Rent, the Tenants constantly and regularly pay one full Years Rent of Grassum, at the Expiration of every seven Years. The Conditions of the Sale, and Progress of the Writs are to be seen in the Hands of the Sheriff Clerk of Perth, and John MacEuen Writer in Dunkeld.

N. B. That there is a very convenient Dwelling House and Gardens, suteable to the Estate; and that the Oak Woods and other Woods belonging to the said Lands, are not considered in the foresaid Rental, and therefore are to be sold jointly with the Lands, or seperately by themselves, conform to the Conditions of the Sale. Nota also, That the Salmond Fishings on the Water of Tay, being usually in the Master's Possession, make up no Part of the foresaid Rental, but the Value will be considered in the Conditions of the Sale.

The Author of this Paper thinks fit to intimate to the Noblemen, Gentlemen, &c. who are furnished with the same, that the last Quarter of the 6th Year, Ends the 25th of this Month of April, 1726. Therefore, he expects they will pay up the old Arrears, with this current Quarter, as they would be served with the same for the future. Also, because of his great Advance for the Stampt Paper, Printing, and other weekly Gharges, he expects, for the Time to come, the Quarter-payments will be made at the Commencement of each Quarter.